



Office of Utility Regulation

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Mast Audit spot-check Results published

A survey of 15 mobile mast sites in the Bailiwick has found that each is within the safety guidelines set by the OUR. The audit, the results of which are published today along with an updated register of all Bailiwick mobile sites, was conducted to ensure that mobile operators continue to comply with the guidelines laid down by the International Commission for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP).

“It is pleasing to see that each of the sites selected for the spot-check are within the internationally accepted safety guidelines,” said Rosie Allsopp, Office Manager at the OUR. “This is the fourth audit of sites carried out since 2004 and on each occasion the sites audited have complied with the guidelines. I hope the results of this independent audit will reassure islanders that the telecoms companies are continuing to meet their obligations.”

A full audit of all sites operational in the Bailiwick was undertaken in 2004 and again in 2008 with spot-checks on selected sites in 2005 and earlier this year. A further spot-check of 15 sites is planned for 2010.

The OUR has again worked with Digimap to give islanders easier access to the audit results and the results from this year’s spot-checks will be displayed on Digimap.

The OUR has also published an updated register of all mobile mast sites in the Bailiwick. It shows that the total number of sites now stands at 71 across the Bailiwick, one more than in 2008. Almost half of all sites are shared by more than one operator.

Both reports are published on the OUR's website www.regutil.gg. Information from the mast audits is also available on the Digimap website www.digimap.gg Hard copies are available by calling the Office of Utility Regulation on 711120.

Information for editors

Number of sites by island	
Island	Number of sites
Guernsey	60
Alderney	5
Sark	5
Herm	1

Types of Mast Structure	
Type of Mounting	Number
Roof-Top	24
Monopole	25
Lattice Tower	11
Outdoor Wall Mounted	9
Indoor Wall Mounted	6
Water Tower	2

Site Name	Site Address	Cumulative EQ Relative to
Airport Generator Shed	Rue des Landes	1\653
Airport Radar Tower	Rue des Landes	1\607
Airport Terminal - Main Concourse	Rue Des Landes,	1\296
Castel Hospital	La Neuve Rue	1\161
Centenary house	La Vrangue	1\33
Cobo Pumping station	Rue de la Saline	1\1248
Envoy House	La Vrangue	1\44
High St (C&W shop)	Waterloo House	1\21
Jones & Bradburn	Braye Road Ind Est	1\3496
La Moinerie		1\21
Little Sark	Clos de la Pointe	1\65
Maseline Harbour - Sark		1\14
Petit Bot	Petit Bot	1\139
Regency	La Marette Road,	1\252
TRS	Huberts Lane	1\1195

About the OUR

The Office of Utility Regulation was established in 2001 to regulate the three utilities of post, telecoms and electricity in the Bailiwick of Guernsey. The Office is headed by Director General John Curran and has six staff.

The role of the OUR is protect the interests of Guernsey consumers and the economy. It does this by ensuring that customers receive the best in price, choice and quality services in the three sectors, while at the same time ensuring that those sectors are vibrant and robust so that they can positively contribute to and underpin a successful Guernsey economy.

The OUR licences and regulates telecommunications operators, Guernsey Electricity Ltd and Guernsey Post Ltd. Wherever possible, the OUR promotes the introduction of competition by ensuring that there is fair play and a level playing field between the operators. Where competition is not yet effective or is not feasible, the OUR regulates prices and quality of services to end customers. More information is available from the OUR website www.regutil.gg or by contacting the Office of Utility Regulation on 01481 711120.